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**CONNECTICUT SEAFOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL UPDATE**

*David Carey, Director, Bureau of Aquaculture*

The Connecticut Seafood Advisory Council (CSAC) has been designated under Connecticut General Statutes [Section 22-455](#) to assist Connecticut’s seafood industry in the examination of new market opportunities and promotion of Connecticut seafood products.

The CSAC statutorily consists of the following:

- a freshwater finfish producer
- four finfish, shellfish, or lobster harvesters
- one retailer serving or representing restaurants
- one member at large

The following individuals presently are appointees to the council:

- Larry Williams, a shellfish producer
- Michael Theiler, a lobster, conch, finfish, and sea scallop harvester
- D. J. King, a lobster and conch harvester, aquaculture oyster and bay scallop producer, and permit holder for long-line seaweed kelp cultivation
- Chad Simoneaux, a wholesaler purchaser and distributor of seafood products
- Bill Clayton, an aquaculture tank producer, bait fisherman, and distributor
- Paul Formica, a seafood restaurant owner and retailer

In addition to these voting members, the council has three non-voting members:

- David Carey, director of the Connecticut Department of Agriculture’s Bureau of Aquaculture
- David Simpson, director of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection’s Division of Marine Fisheries
- Nancy Balcom, associate director of the University of Connecticut’s Sea Grant Extension Program

Connecticut is home to a diverse commercial fishing community. The many different segments of the industry range from the fleets of Stonington and New London—which travel offshore into federal wa-

ters to harvest sea scallops and salt-water finfish—to the local commercial boats setting and hauling traps for lobster, finfish, and several species of whelk (the large snails commonly referred to as “conch”), to small aquaculture finfish and oyster operations.



**Connecticut lobster, above right, and lobster boat and crew in action**

The state’s shellfish harvesting industry alone comprises 12 very large operations and 25 small operations that harvest hard clams and oysters from throughout Long Island Sound using a variety of cultivation techniques.

There are approximately 20 finfish producers working the waters of Long Island Sound, including trawlers harvesting using large nets and others who trap fish using pots. The harbors of New London and Stonington are home to fleets of boats that travel offshore in pursuit of sea scallops and saltwater fish.

A handful of lobstermen still set lobster pots, but must also fish other species in the face of declining lobster populations in order to make a living from the waters of Long Island Sound.

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**WHOLESALE EGGLANT  
U.S. AND INTERNATIONAL**

	Low	High
CHINESE,30lb,HD	29.00	29.00
LONG STRPD,1-1/9bu,GA	26.00	26.00
THAI,30lb,HD	52.00	52.00
WHITE,11lb,CN	22.00	22.00

**NEW HOLLAND, PA, HOG AUCTION**

Sold by actual weights; prices quoted by hundred wt.

49-54	220-300 lbs	71.00-73.00
	300-400 lbs	66.00-70.50
45-49	220-300 lbs	66.50-70.00
	300-400 lbs	60.00-65.00
Sows: US 1-3	300-500 lbs	52.00-55.50
	500-700 lbs	57.00-61.00
Boars:	300-700 lbs	17.50-21.00

**PA GRADER FEEDER PIGS**

Lancaster, PA, per cwt.  
July 1, 2013

Gr US 1-2	wt 15-25	200.00-210.00
	wt 25-30	160.00-180.00
	wt 30-40	140.00-180.00
	wt40-50	120.00-140.00
	wt 60-65	100.00-105.00

**MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION**

Middlefield, July 1, 2013

Live animals brought the following ave. prices per cwt.

	Low	High
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	40.00	46.00
61-75 lbs.	50.00	55.00
76-90 lbs.	60.00	75.00
91-105 lbs.	85.00	90.00
106 lbs. & up	95.00	100.00
Farm Calves	102.50	170.00
Starter Calves	42.00	50.00
Veal Calves	70.00	166.00
Open Heifers	100.00	112.50
Beef Steers	95.00	110.00
Beef Heifers	88.00	92.00
Feeder Steers	75.00	110.00
Stock Bulls	75.00	107.50
Beef Bulls	96.00	104.00
Boars	n/a	n/a
Sows	n/a	n/a
Butcher Hogs	n/a	n/a
Goats each	50.00	270.00
Kid Goats	60.00	185.00
Canners	Up to	84.50
Cutters	85.00	89.50
Utility Grade Cows	90.50	92.00
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Replacement Cows	n/a	n/a
Rabbits each	4.00	37.00
Chickens each	4.00	16.00
Ducks each	8.00	24.00
Feeder Pigs	60.00	75.00
Lambs	90.00	210.00
Sheep	55.00	115.00

**WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES  
NEW ENGLAND GROWN**

(Boston Terminal and wholesale grower prices)

	Low	High
BEAN SPRT,12/12oz	12.00	12.00
BEETS,12s	15.00	15.00
CHERRY,rd,20lb	50.00	50.00
CHERRY,ylw,20lb	60.00	60.00
COLLARD,12s	11.00	13.00
CORN,5dz	16.00	18.00
CUCUMBER,pckl,1/2bu	20.00	20.00
CUKES,spr sel,1-1/9bu	30.00	35.00
GREEN BEAN,1-1/9bu	36.00	40.00
KALE,12s	11.00	13.00
PEA,Engsh,bu	30.00	35.00
PEA,snp,10lb	18.00	20.00
PEA,snw,10lb	18.00	18.00
RADISH,24s	12.00	15.00
SQUASH,grn,1/2bu	16.00	20.00
SQUASH,ylw,1/2bu	18.00	22.00
STRAWBERRY 8/1qt	28.00	30.00
SWISS CHARD,12s	15.00	15.00
TOMATO,25lb,gh	20.00	21.00
TOMATO,chrty,5lb	14.00	14.00
TOMATO,hrlm,10lb,gh	30.00	30.00

**SHIPPED IN**

BLUEBERRY,12/1pt,NJ	16.00	18.00
CABBAGE,50lb,grn,NJ	11.00	13.00
CABBAGE,50lb,red,NJ	18.00	20.00
CARROT,24s NJ,	15.00	15.00
ESCAROLE,1.3bu,NJ	16.00	16.00
NECTARINE,25lb,CA	18.00	24.00
PEACH,1/2bu,2-1/2min,SC	18.00	20.00
RASPBERRY,12/6oz,CA	19.00	24.00



**WHOLESALE CUT FLOWERS**

BOSTON, MA

July 1, 2013

	Low	High
CALLA,Wht,stm,lng	4.25	4.25
DELPHNIUM,bnch,5s,lng	9.95	9.95
GARDENIA,3s	15.00	15.00
GARDENIA,blm	5.50	5.50
GERBERA,stm,lng	1.25	1.25
HYDRNGEA,Wht,stm,lng	5.00	5.50
LILY,Blnca,bnch,case,lng	25.00	27.50
LILY,Srbnne,bnch,3-5s,lng	18.50	18.50
PEONY,bnch,10s,sem-dbl,lng	24.00	25.00
PEONY,bnch,5s,sem-dbl,lng	12.50	12.50
PEONY,stm,sem-dbl,lng	2.50	3.00

**NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS**

Per doz., wholesale Grade A brown in cartons (delivered)

XTRA LARGE	1.48-1.59
LARGE	1.35-1.46
MEDIUM	1.03-1.16

**NEW HOLLAND LIVESTOCK AUCT.  
AND VA CATTLE SUMMARY**

July 1, 2013

	Bulk/	High/	Low	Dressing
<b>SLAUGHTER COWS:</b>				
breakers 75-80% lean	77.25	81.50		
boners 80-85% lean	74.50	78.25		
lean 88-90% lean	69.50	74.25		
<b>CALVES: graded bull</b>				
No.1 95-120lbs	128.50		141.75	
No 2 95-120lbs	116.00		131.00	
No 3 80-120lbs	70.25		95.75	
<b>SLAUGHTER BULLS yield gr 1</b>				
High dressing		95.00		102.00
Avg.dressing		91.75		94.25
Low dressing		83.75		87.50
<b>SLAUGHTER HEIFERS high</b>				
HiCh/Prm 3-4	121.50			125.25
Ch2-3	113.75			118.00
Sel 1-3	97.50			105.00
<b>SLAUGHTER STEERS</b>				
HiCh/prm3-4	122.00			125.00
Ch2-3	119.00			122.50
Sel 1-3	115.00			119.50
<b>SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS</b>				
HiCh/prm3-4	125.00			126.00
Ch 2-3	119.00			123.75
Sel 1-3	112.00			117.25
Vealers,util.,60-120lb	22.25			49.50
<b>SLAUGHTER LAMBS: ch/pr 2-3</b>				
50-80lbs	157.00			158.00
80-100lbs	N/A			
80-110lbs	n/a			
<b>SLAUGHTER EWES: good 2-3: md flesh</b>				
100 110lbs	54.00			66.00
160 190LB	54.00			68.00
Bucks	100 160lbs	52.00		82.00
	160-200	N/A		
	200-250lbs	50.00		54.00
<b>SLAUGHTER GOATS:Sel.1, by head, est. wt.</b>				
40-60lbs	117.00			150.00
60-80lbs	120.00			160.00
80-90lbs	135.00			178.00
110-120lbs	167.00			186.00
Nannies/Does: 100-125lbs	150.00			195.00
130-135lbs	120.00			187.00
Bucks/Billies: 120-150lbs	187.00			225.00

**LANCASTER, PA, HAY AUCTION**

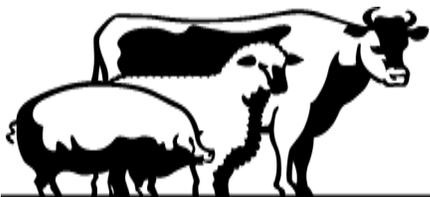
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	premium	good
ALFLFA	200.00-300.00	150.00-175.00
GRASS	n/a	140.00-340.00
MXD HAY	215.00-475.00	140.00-190.00
STRAW	80.00-250.00	n/a
TIMTHY	310.00-310.00	140.00-150.00

**NORTHEAST EGG PRICES USDA**

Per doz., USDA Grade A/Grade A white in cartons (volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	1.14-1.18
LARGE	1.12-1.16
MEDIUM	.94-.98



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In addition, the CSAC also represents restaurants as well as retail and wholesale dealers of seafood, making this group that much more varied.

The council has sought to expand opportunities for local seafood producers in the Connecticut marketplace via implementation of a comprehensive statewide local seafood program. The greatest challenge by far has been identifying the best means by which to serve this very diverse community. Great disparity exists between operations.



*Oyster seed boat, above, and seed oyster, below. By law, oysters must be at least 3" in length to be harvested in Connecticut.*



The larger operations ship product to the Boston and New York markets—those distribution hubs can handle the large volume of product harvested—while the smaller harvesters often sell to Connecticut wholesale distributors or directly to restaurants. Many of Connecticut's smaller finfish harvesters, however, sell through three wholesale operations that prepare and package the finfish for wholesale distribution. By comingling the harvest of each small harvester, these wholesalers generate volume and then ship those larger combined loads to Boston or New York.

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The general public (direct or retail market) and restaurants and wholesale distributors are among the most under-served consumer markets and represent opportunity for locally harvested Connecticut seafood sales. The CSAC intends to create a dockside pilot program through which five or more small harvesters and producers would sell directly to these consumer groups.

Although individual harvesters have been able to sell their daily catch, to a limited degree, at farmers' markets and at the pier, such sales are often affected by the lack of a mechanism by which to communicate with potential customers. In order to increase the consumer base for these products, the CSAC envisions using mobile social media to inform potential customers of the catch of the day and prices while steaming back to port, enabling customers to determine what they would like to purchase in advance.

The council predicts that the customer base will expand as restaurants and restaurant suppliers are able to plan ahead and can decide whether the trip to the pier would be advantageous in terms of the cost and variety of products available.

The industry members and CSAC will finalize the pilot project when they have identified the most effective and cost-effective media outlet by which to inform consumers of the catch of the day.

In addition to creating this pilot project, the CSAC has a representative serving on the Marketing working group of the Governor's Council for Agricultural Development, which engages representatives from various sectors of the state's agricultural industry to develop and implement effective, strategic marketing programs as part of a long-

term, holistic plan for Connecticut agriculture.

The CSAC has for many years promoted the theme, "Connecticut Caught, As Fresh as it Gets" at events throughout the state and at regional events such as the Big E. Most recently, the council provided clam chowder and freshly shucked oysters on the half shell at Connecticut Agriculture Day at the Capitol in Hartford.

These events provide the CSAC an opportunity to reach out to legislators and the general public to educate consumers and policy makers about Connecticut's local seafood products and industry.

The council's fresh seafood offerings are among the most highly anticipated at the events in which it participates and attract a wide variety of admirers ranging from those who have never eaten a clam or oyster to those who have cultivated an appreciation of Connecticut's seafood bounty and are willing to endure long lines to sample our delicacies.

Please stop by at the next event to say hello, and get to know Connecticut's seafood as well as the people who produce it.

**PLANT GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE JUL 15**

Governor Malloy has designated a total of \$5 million for Production Loss Assistance Needed Today (PLANT) grants to help farmers salvage the season after incurring damage from severe weather in 2013.

Individual awards will be based on the number of qualifying applications received by July 15, 2013.

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